

# Pews News

St Peter & St Paul's Cranfield

13<sup>th</sup> December 2020



## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"We are a community church, bringing the good news of Jesus Christ and serving this community in His love."



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

### Readings

Isaiah 61

John 1:6-8; 19-28

### Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Week Ahead

Morning Prayer: 8am Mon-Thurs

### Next Sunday – 20<sup>th</sup> December

10:30am: Family Crib Service

### Coffee Donations (from Oct - Dec)

This quarter we are donating to MIND.

### Motto text

Cast all your anxiety on him  
because he cares for you

*1 Peter 5: 7*

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## Thank-you from Isaac and Rebekah!

Thank-you so much to everyone for your very warm welcome to our family, and for your kind card and gifts. It has helped us to settle into the Rectory and the village, and we look forward to getting to know you all in the coming weeks.

### Pastoral Visits

Isaac wanted to visit as many of the congregation as possible over the coming weeks, however because of the current restrictions that is not going to be possible. However, he is still hoping to get to know the congregation as quickly as possible and hopes to be able to meet people for walks, or in gardens.

### Carol Service

This Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December 6:00 is our Carol Service. Numbers must be restricted because of the current government guidance, so please do let us know if you would like to book a place. Unfortunately, we are still unable to sing congregationally inside, however we do plan to sing the final carol together in the church yard.

### Family Crib Service

Next Sunday's morning service is the Family Crib Service. Children can come dressed as a nativity character. Please book for this service.

### Prayers

Please pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters. Barnabus Fund provides this prayer for today:

*Heavenly Father, we lift to you the Christians of Somalia, rejoicing that You know each one by Name. You know the dangers they face, the abuse, rejection and contempt. Thank you for their courage in making a decision to follow Christ, in the full knowledge that this might lead to martyrdom. Although we may never meet our Somali brothers and sisters in this life, help us to learn from their example of faithful endurance. We pray especially for Somali Christian women, who are the most vulnerable of all, struggling to teach their children to trust and love your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose Name we pray. Amen.*